Mercy Community,

Hopefully you all have had some time to reflect on this past year, and despite all of the challenges that were faced, it allowed us time to find glimpses of light. Although 2020 was unpredictable and like no other, it truly had some valuable lessons to be learned. This past year undoubtedly taught us all to be flexible, patient, and slow down in a world of chaos. In addition, we capitalized on being kind to ourselves and to one another, have gratitude for our health, spend some time in the present moment and embrace the stillness. Our Mount Mercy community has proven to be resilient in a time of difficulty and has overcome tremendous obstacles. As we move forward into 2021, attitudes are positive and optimistic of better days filled with inspiration, promises of hope, and being mindful not to take the precious gift of life for granted. It is my belief that we have all grown together on both a personal as well as spiritual level through this journey. May we all be at peace with ourselves and with one another for a bright future ahead and a promising New Year in 2021.

God Bless,
Michele Melligan ’92
Head of School
Congratulations to senior, Madeline Lickfeld, who was accepted into Georgetown University!! Georgetown University is a very prestigious and incredibly difficult school to get into. Maddie applied Early Action and was one of 8,700 Early Action applicants. Only 11% of applicants were accepted and she was one of them! We are extremely proud!

Congratulations to senior, Claire Mullen who was accepted to the Ivy League school, Cornell University! This is incredibly impressive and her hard work has paid off!
'9 Ladies Dancing'
by freshman, Shannon Kersten

"4 Calling Birds"
by Sophia Nasca

"5 Golden Rings"
by Sophia Nasca

"A Patridge in a Pear Tree"
by Corynn Held

Zentangle Drawing
by Madeline Hagner

"A Patridge in a Pear Tree"
by Jillian Schneck
Ms. Rauscher’s Living Environment classes celebrated their first online “Whacky Wednesday!” It was great to see the girls participating and having fun!

Mount Mercy’s STEAM Toy Drive that senior, Claire Mullen, helped to organize, was a huge success! Every donation was given to Toys for Tots, which distributes Christmas gifts to children whose parents cannot afford to buy them. Thank you to everyone who participated!

Special thanks to Kerry Nowak, the mother of Lucy Duggan (class of ’23) for helping us complete our required COVID testing for the month. We are so grateful that she was able to volunteer her time to help Mount Mercy!
Although Covid-19 has changed the protocol, the Women in Social Science Academy program is alive and well at Mount Mercy Academy. Local attorney Jane Michalek Harrington, a Mount Mercy Academy graduate and a member of the school’s Board of Trustees, spoke to 30 students today via Google Meet. Some students were together in a classroom to hear the presentation, while others who were home on distance learning were able to participate from home. Harrington practices law at Michalek & Harrington with her father and her husband. She spoke to the students about her personal path to become a practicing attorney and she outlined the strengths that lawyers should possess. She elucidated the students about what law school entails and she also stressed the importance of networking. Harrington also highlighted the skills that are needed to succeed in any career.

Ms. Rauscher’s class had an ugly science sweater day!

Mount Mercy did a virtual scavenger hunt from home during homeroom!
January Raffle: Custom Made Decorative Oak Mirror

This entryway mirror is a unique addition to any home. It is a beautifully handcrafted oak mirror that is etched with Buffalo, NY and is also a sturdy coat rack. Perfect for your front hallway or main entrance. Dimensions are 32” in width and 24” in height. Value $225. Donated by Brian Renowden.

Tickets are 1 for $5 or 6 for $25 and will go on until January 29th. Good luck!!

Please visit our website mtmercy.org to purchase your tickets. Proceeds will go to the Alumnae Scholarship

Tickets can also be purchased at:
https://mountmercy.wufoo.com/forms/z1dah13j1fn7ann/

See what Mercy can do for YOU!

If you missed Mount Mercy Academy's Entrance Exam, you can still schedule to make up the exam!

If you would like to learn more about Mount Mercy or schedule a visit, please contact Tina Webster at twebster@mtmercy.org

Visit our website at www.mtmercy.org to view the catalog.
### January 2021 Breakfast K-12

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<td>6 Cinnamon Toast Soft Bag Chilled Juice Fresh/Chilled Fruit -NYS Milk Choice-</td>
<td>7 -Assorted Cereal-Pop Tart Strawberry Chilled Juice Fresh/Chilled Fruit -NYS Milk Choice-</td>
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**HOLIDAY- MLK Day Meal Distributed Fri, Jan 18th**

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<td>5 Chicken Nuggets Green Sweet Peas Rice Krispies Treat Sliced Strawberries Fresh/Chilled Fruit -NYS Milk Choice-</td>
<td>6 French Toast Sticks Turkey Sausage Links Potato Tater Tot Hot Dog Roll Fresh/Chilled Fruit -NYS Milk Choice-</td>
<td>7 NY Beef Hot Dog W/ Hot Dog Roll Baked Beans Farm to School Harvest of the Month NY Grape Slushy Pouch Fresh/Chilled Fruit -NYS Milk Choice-</td>
<td>1 Buffalo Chicken Drumstick Chef Choice Vegetable Seasoned Brown Rice Fresh/Chilled Fruit -NYS Milk Choice-</td>
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<td>8 Beef Taco Meat Cheese Sauce Tortilla Chips Green Beans Whole Kernal Sweet Corn Fresh/Chilled Fruit -NYS Milk Choice-</td>
<td>9 Beef Meatballs Sub Roll Spaghetti Sauce Shredded Mozzarella Farm to School Harvest of the Month Fresh/Chilled Fruit -NYS Milk Choice-</td>
<td>10 Grilled Chicken Breast Salad, 4 Bean Fancy Seasoned Brown Rice Fresh/Chilled Fruit -NYS Milk Choice-</td>
<td>11 Turkey Pepperoni Cheddar Cheese Slices 6&quot; White WW Sausage Roll Salad W/ NY lettuce Fresh/Chilled Fruit -NYS Milk Choice-</td>
<td>14 Lunch yogurt container and Snack Kit</td>
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<td>12 Stuffed Breadstick Green Beans Applesauce, Unsweetened Fresh/Chilled Fruit -NYS Milk Choice-</td>
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**Students must take 3 full items including a 1/2 cup fruit or vegetables**

**5 Day Meal Distribution**

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